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Natural Resources Management Training Coalition

Description and Purpose

The Natural Resources Management Training Coalition is a confederation of professional organizations with an interest in protecting natural resources, while promoting their recreational use. The expressed purpose of the NRMTC is to work collaboratively to facilitate better and more efficient delivery of training and professional development opportunities for recreation and natural resource managers. The NRMTC recognizes the need for ongoing training and professional development of recreation and natural resource managers is increasing and that institutional resources dedicated to this training is, at best, limited. It further recognizes that traditional, on-site delivery of training may no longer be the most efficient use of limited institutional training resources, given the increasing sophistication of media and instructional technology.

Goals

1. To periodically assess training needs and preferences for training delivery options of professionals within member organizations.
2. To increase awareness of training opportunities among member organizations and others by serving as a source of information on pertinent training opportunities.
3. To provide support and promotion of training activities offered by various organizations through the dissemination of information among member organizations.
4. To collaboratively support the development and delivery of training in critical areas of professional development which are not available elsewhere.
5. To actively pursue additional sponsorship funding for professional development activities from foundations, agencies and institutions interested in our common goal of serving the recreational needs of our populace while protecting the health and viability of the natural resources upon which those recreational activities depend.

Organizational Structure

The Natural Resources Management Training Coalition is an organization consisting of representatives of professional organizations dedicated to protecting natural resources and promoting recreational use. It is the intent of the NRMTC to be broad-based and organizationally diverse.

Organizational membership in the NRMTC will consist of representation from member organizations, hereafter referred to as Charter Member Organizations. Additional organizational

memberships will be extended based on a nomination and affirmation by a two-thirds majority of the Executive Council. The Executive Council will consist of one member from each member organization, elected or appointed in accordance with the policies and bylaws of that organization. The Executive Council will organize itself in a manner commensurate with the goals of the NRMTC, and strive to reach consensus among all members of the Council. Members of the Executive Council will form committees, as necessary, to further the goals of the NRMTC, and solicit participation in the work of the NRMTC from individuals belonging to member organizations.

Funding

Funding to carry on the business of the NRMTC will come from annual dues assessed to member organizations. Dues for initial membership are \$250 per year, and are not anticipated to exceed \$500 in subsequent years. This funding is necessary to cover costs associated with development of promotional materials, postage, meeting arrangements, and other incidental costs pertinent to the business of the Executive Council. Initially, funds for the NRMTC will be administered by the Treasurer, National Society of Park Resources, with oversight and approval provided exclusively by the Executive Council.